

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

## INDEPENDENT POLICE AUDITOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MISSION

The Mission of this group is to assist the Office of the Independent Police Auditor by providing information on ways to improve the police complaint process, by helping promote public awareness of a person's right to file a complaint, and by increasing police accountability to the public by the San José Police Department.

### PURPOSE & OBJECTIVES

The purpose is to identify, mobilize, and coordinate resources to assure maximum public, private, agency, and individual commitment to provide effective police oversight.

The objectives are to:

1. Promote the mission of the IPA, and inform the IPA of the needs/problems of various communities.
2. Promote the maintenance and improvement of standards of quality of police oversight in the City of San José.
3. Increase the forums, sources, and methods of informing the public about the complaint process.

### PARTICIPATION

Participation is exclusive to those individuals selected by the Independent Police Auditor and who reside, do business, or have significant human interest in police oversight for the City of San José or neighboring community. The IPA will call meetings on an average of three (3) times per year.

### INDEPENDENCE OF THE POLICE AUDITOR

The Police Auditor shall, at all times, be totally independent, and requests for further investigations, recommendations, and reports shall reflect the views of the Police Auditor alone. No person shall attempt to undermine the independence of the Police Auditor in the performance of her duties and responsibilities as set forth in the San José Municipal Code Section 2.06.020.

## INDEPENDENT POLICE AUDITOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

#### **Yoyi Aglipay**

Founder and Executive Director of the Filipino American Heritage Appreciation Project, the Filipino Heritage Festival, and the Filipino-American Youth Club.

#### **Ahmad Al-hewel**

Member of the South Bay Islamic Association.

#### **Tony Alexander**

Past president of the NAACP, San José Branch. President of the Silicon Valley African American Democratic Coalition.

#### **Rose Amador**

Member of the National Council of La Raza, La Raza Roundtable, and En Lace Evergreen Valley College.

#### **Rick Callender**

President of the NAACP, San José Branch. Member of the San José Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce, the SCC Network for a Hate Free Community, and the Anti-Tobacco Youth Coalition.

#### **Bob Dhillon**

Member of the McLaughlin Corridor Neighborhood Association, the SCC Association of Realtors, and the American Sikh Association.

#### **Minh Steven Dovan**

Hosted Vietnamese television talk show from 1985-1997. Former member of the Judicial Council Advisory Committees on Racial/Ethnic, Bias, and Interpreters.

#### **Larry Estrada**

Attorney for the United States Postal Services.

#### **Paul Feci**

Chairman of the San José Human Rights Commission. Vice President of United Food Commercials Workers Union, South Bay AFL CIO Labor Council.

#### **Victor Garza**

Chairman of La Raza Roundtable. Member of the American G.I. Forum and the CTC Board of Directors.

#### **Dr. Roy Gilbert-Higginson**

Member of the SCC Network for a Hate Free Community, the SCC Suicide Prevention Task Force, and the South Bay Safe School Coalition.

#### **Aminah Ayoola Jahi**

Member of the Alliance of African American Community Organization. Past president and member of the NAACP, San José Branch.

#### **Kenneth D. Lee**

Member of the Korean IT Network, the Korean Americans for Political Empowerment, and the Korean-American Professional Society.

#### **Craig Mann**

Member and past president of the East Side School Board. Member of the Board of Directors of MACSA.

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### **Sofía Mendoza**

Member of the Latino Advisory Committee for San José Unified School District, the National Council on La Raza, and Chair of the Community Child Care Council.

### **Madison P. Nguyen**

Founder of the Vietnamese American Center. Board Member of the Volunteers in Asia. Member of the Vietology Group.

### **Helal Omeira**

Member of the SCC Network for a Hate Free Community, the Bay Area Hate Crimes Investigators Association, and the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

### **Merylee Shelton**

Member of the Board of Directors of MACSA and the Human Relations Commission of SCC. Coordinator of Community Arts and Lectures Program.

### **Wiggys Siversten**

Member of the SCC Domestic Violence Council and the Safe School Coalition. Board Member of the Bay Area Municipal Elections Committee.

### **Jennifer Tait**

Member of Friends Outside National Organization, Families & Corrections, and the American Jail Association.

### **Alfredo Villaseñor**

Member of the CA Child Care Resource & Referral Network, the CA Alternative Program Payment Association, and the Child Development Policy Institute.

### **Gertrude Welch**

Member of the Criminal Justice Committee of the Hate Free Community Network, the Interfaith Council, and the Council on Churches.

### **Gary L. Wood**

Board Member of the Citizen Tribunal. Member of the Human Rights Defense Committee and the Santa Clara County Human Relations Commission Justice Task Force.

### **Bill Yaeger**

Member of the Master Composters of SCC and the Home Church in Campbell. Volunteer in the Second Harvest Food Bank.